

Flip Chip Assembly Supply Chain

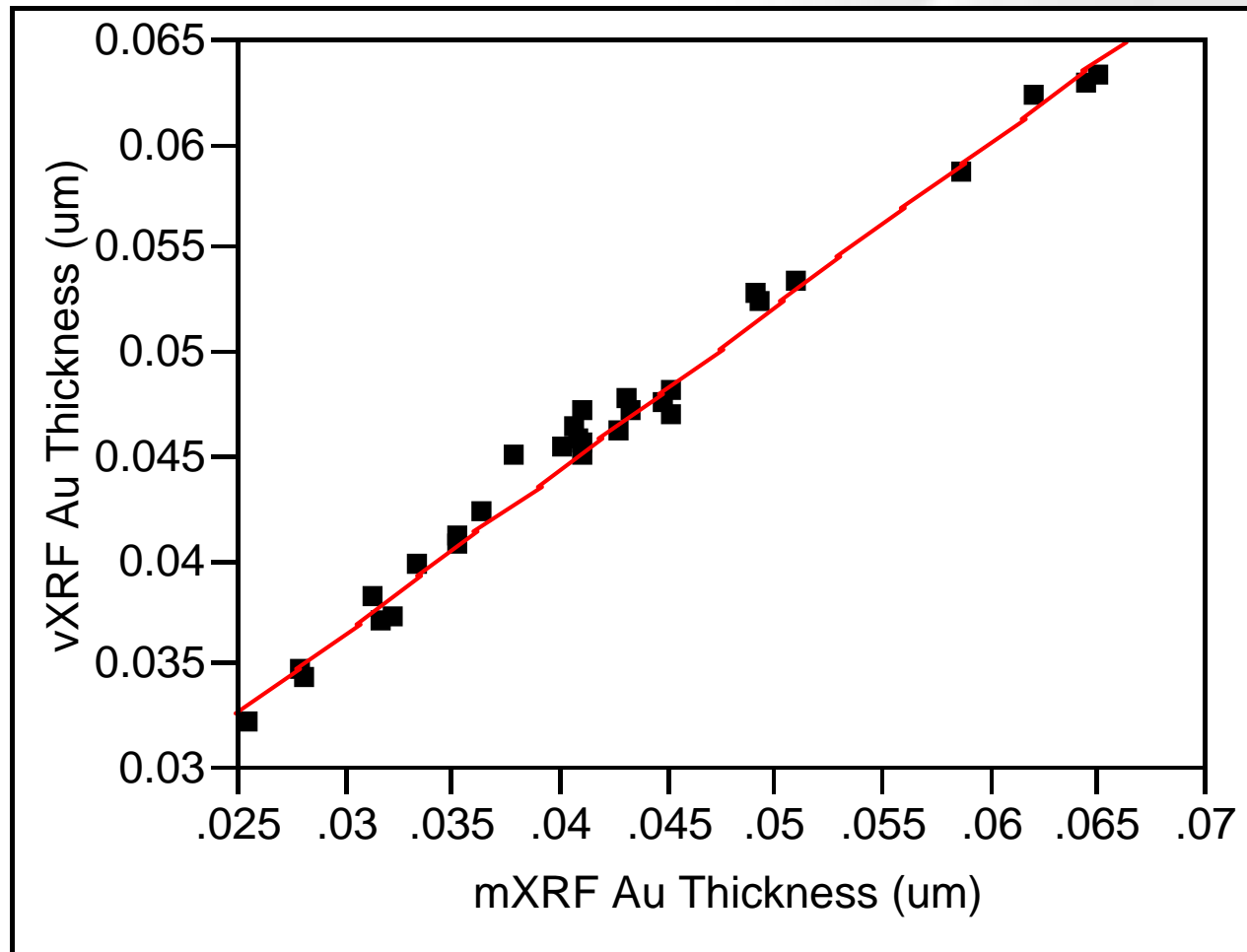
Semiconductor Assembly

- Simple Process Flow
- Dynamic processes, small process windows
 - High sensitivity to second order factors, surface chemistry, friction, density, CoE, etc.
 - Product by product optimization required
- Massive Volume
 - Multiple Assembly sites building same product
 - Multiple suppliers shipping to multiple sites
 - Expectation of fully interchangeable assembly

Correlation Requirement

- Beyond establishing Accuracy, Capability and Stability every supplier must correlate each measurement parameter with Intel
- 30+ parts are measured at the supplier and Intel and evaluated statistically
- Process reveals any method divergence, fixturing variance, or 'creative' capability analysis
- ~30% reveals issues
- <10% if equipment is matched

Thin Au/Ni Correlation vXRF vs. mXRF



$$\text{vXRF Au Thickness (um)} = 0.0129527 + 0.7844854 \text{ mXRF Au Thickness (um)}$$

— Linear Fit

Interoperability

- Best opportunity for benefit to Intel is with controller interface standard
 - Allows us to select metrology best suited to application
 - Pricing is interesting question
 - Current pricing model may not work for users
 - Nobody wins if vendors don't benefit
- Very little leverage gained from existing standards
 - Mostly limited by lack of high level programming capability

More than CMMs

- Contact CMM <10% of metrology activity
- Optical CMM
- Profiling Systems
- XRF
- Special Purpose tools
- It's important to recognize that Contact CMMs are the most stable metrology platform in this list
 - Can interoperability standards coexist with rapidly changing platforms?

Concluding Remarks

- A document may not go far enough
 - Consider publishing reference code under an open license
 - Lower the bar for implementation
- Not paying sufficient attention to IP issues
 - 1 patent in the wrong hands could put this whole process to waste
 - Trademarks offer effective and impartial mechanism to fund activities